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Beach front development



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To Whom It May Concern ,

I am writing to express my negative opinion regarding the beach front development at the property located just west of Hemlock Street at the S-curves. I have owned a house on S Pacific St since 1994. During this time I have heard of numerous references to the instability of this land and actually to the entire adjacent hillside. There have been several instances where Hemlock has been damaged by slides. The street has had to be closed for repairs which makes transportation south awkward to say the least. The proposal calls for the removal of multiple trees on the land in question. I am no geologist but I can't help to think that removal of trees will aggravate the danger of slides. If Hemlock gets damaged as a result, I presume it will be up to the city to finance the repairs.

Another concern I have is the safety of having another intersection on Hemlock. In the summer there is often bumper to bumper traffic on Hemlock. In addition there is heavy pedestrian traffic, because people park on the east side of Hemlock and then walk over to the ocean side.

My final objection concerns the aesthetics of building a bridge that will support automobiles across this land. The land between Inspiration Point and Haystack Rock is some of the most picturesque on the Oregon coast. Do we really want to sacrifice this beauty with a bridge that will only benefit one household? My opinion to this question is "No".

Sincerely,

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